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Histology and embryology: Dr. F. C. Waite, secretary, Western Reserve University School of Medicine, Cleveland.

Physiology: Dr. E. P. Lyon, dean, University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis.

Biological chemistry: Dr. Otto Folin, professor of biological chemistry, medical school of Harvard University, Boston.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1920

*Morning Session, 9:30 A.M.*

Pharmacology: Dr. C. W. Edmunds, assistant dean, University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor.

Pathology: Dr. James Ewing, professor of pathology, Cornell University Medical School, New York City.

Bacteriology and parasitology: Dr. A. I. Kendall, dean, Northwestern University Medical School, Chicago.

Public health and preventive medicine: Dr. Victor C. Vaughan, dean, University of Michigan Medical School, Ann Arbor.

*Wednesday Afternoon, 2 P.M.*

Separate business meetings will be held by the Association of American Medical Colleges and the Federation of State Medical Boards.

#### SCIENTIFIC LECTURES

THE faculty of medicine of Harvard University offers a course of free public lectures, given at the medical school, Longwood Avenue, Boston, on Sunday afternoons, beginning February 1 and ending March 28, 1920. The lectures begin at four o'clock and the doors will be closed at five minutes past the hour. No tickets are required.

February 1. Child welfare. Dr. Richard M. Smith.

February 8. Smallpox and vaccination. Dr. Edwin H. Place.

February 15. Protection against infection in diseases other than smallpox. Dr. Harold C. Ernst.

February 22. Diseases of the teeth in relation to systematic disturbances. Dr. Kurt H. Thoma.

February 29. Pneumonia. Dr. Frederick T. Lord.

March 7. Some aspects of alcohol. Dr. Percy G. Stiles.

March 14. New conceptions of the structure of matter. Dr. William T. Bovie.

March 21. Health and industry. Dr. Cecil K. Drinker.

March 28. Some points of interest to the public in regard to medical education as brought out by the recent war. Dr. Channing Frothingham.

The trustees of the Ropes Memorial announce that the eighth course of lectures on botany is being given in the trustees' room at the Ropes Mansion, 318 Essex Street, Salem, Mass., by Professor M. L. Fernald, of Harvard University, on Thursday afternoons, at 4.15<sup>00</sup> o'clock, the subject being The Geographic Origin of the Flora of Northeastern America. The lectures are:

January 15. The maritime flora: the flowering plants of sea-margin salt marsh tidal estuaries and strands.

January 22. The coastal plain flora: the plants of sand hills; of Cape Cod; of eastern Newfoundland.

January 29. The deciduous forests: the Alleghenian flora and its history.

February 5. The Canadian forests: similarities and variations of circumpolar forest plants.

February 12. The alpine flora: the contrasting ranges of the floras of the granitic, limestone and serpentine mountains of northern New England, Quebec and Newfoundland.

February 19. The cosmopolitan flora of the future.

The objects of the course are to present in brief outline the more striking features in the history of the floras of the northern hemisphere—their antiquity, probable migrations and wholesale extinctions in geological time; and to make clear why, unless the more sensitive and easily exterminated of our wild flowers are intelligently safeguarded, they are doomed to early extinction.

#### THE ILLINOIS ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

THE thirteenth annual meeting of the Illinois State Academy of Science will be held at Danville. The preliminary program is as follows:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20

11 A.M. Business session. Reports of officers and committees.

2 P.M. General scientific session for the reading of papers.